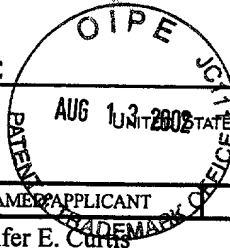


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$42.
 - \$42 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 107.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

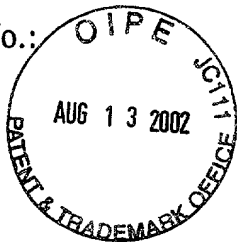
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In re the application of: Curtis et al.

Serial No.: 10/050,213

Filed: January 16, 2002

Title: USE OF MULTIPLE OPTICAL
VORTICES FOR PUMPING,
MIXING AND SORTING

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for completing the filing of the above-captioned patent application is:

1. Executed Declaration/Power of Attorney (3 sheets);
2. One set of formal drawings (10 sheets);
3. Check in the amount of \$107;
4. Return copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-provisional Application; and
5. Return postcard acknowledging receipt of the above items.

A check in the amount of \$107 is enclosed to cover the surcharge for a small entity to file a Response to Notice of Missing Parts. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1450 (duplicate of correspondence enclosed).

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 24, 2002

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**RESPONSE TO REQUEST
FOR SUBSTITUTE PAPERS**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Request for Substitute Papers mailed on July 26, 2002, submitted herewith is a photocopy of the materials submitted to the U.S. Patent Office on May 24, 2002, along with one original clean set of drawings and, a copy of such Request. The attached copies consist of:

1. Photocopy of Postcard;
2. Photocopy of Check No. 646706 (funds cleared bank on June 11, 2002);
3. Photocopy of Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application;
4. Photocopy of executed Declaration/Power of Attorney (3 sheets);
5. Photocopy of one set of formal drawings (10 sheets); and
6. Photocopy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-provisional Application.

While no fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency he believes to be due to Deposit Account No. 06-1450 (duplicate of correspondence enclosed).

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 8, 2002

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